

## M'LEANS BLAME HOPE DIAMOND

Their Cook Quit Her Job and a  
Maid Became Ill

SOON AFTER THEY BOUGHT IT

Reasons For Rejecting the Gem Are  
Given by the McLeans, Who Are Be-  
ing Sued For \$180,000, the Alleged  
Purchase Price.

When the Hope diamond, the famous blue gem which has left a trail of misfortune behind it ever since it was discovered, was purchased recently by Edward B. McLean, son of John R. McLean of Washington, from the Cartiers of New York and Paris, Mr. McLean caused to be inserted in the purchasing contract a clause to the effect that if any ill luck should befall any of the McLean family within six months after the date of purchase the transaction was to be invalidated.

Well, the ill luck fell with a desperate thud within two months after he became the owner of the gem, Mr. McLean now alleges. It is his defense in a suit which has been opened by the Cartiers to recover the \$180,000 with which he agreed tentatively to part in exchange for the stone.

Mr. McLean declares in his defense that the gem hardly had a chance to twinkle a few twinkles in his home when one of the maids felt ill, and this fact was still disturbing the equanimity of the household when the cook, who Mr. McLean believed ranked as an important factor in his home, wrapped her hands in her best Irish linen handkerchiefs and announced that she would be "after the 'avin' th' job."

Mr. McLean immediately shook his fist at the Hope diamond, charged it with making the maid ill and driving the cook out of the house and told the Cartiers it had broken its contract and that they had better come and take it away.

Now, the Cartiers wouldn't do any such thing, although not denying that the illness of the maid and the secession of the cook were calamitous. What they contended was that neither the maid nor the cook was a member of the McLean family. Mr. McLean tells woefully of the indignation that has come to him with a new cook and declares the maid and the cook who

left are the roof-tree and the near-stone and the front door bell of the entire establishment.

Mrs. McLean, who was Miss Evelyn Walsh, takes the same view as her husband and quite a few other persons as to the pernicious influence that goes with the Hope diamond, and she doesn't want it around the house.

### FUNERALS TOO LUXURIOUS.

Rev. George E. Cady Says Make Cremation Within Reach of Poor.

The wearing of black at funerals, expense of flowers, the luxury of being cremated and the cost of caskets were all commented upon before the Unitarian Ministers' association by the Rev. George E. Cady of the Pilgrim Congregational church, Dorchester, Mass., in an address on the high cost of living.

"The wearing of black at funerals is a sign of despair, not of a Christian home," said Dr. Cady. "If death ends all, why, then, let us wear black."

"As to the cost of modern funerals, we must set against the extravagance. The early Christian church knew nothing of this luxury that we see today in the modern funeral."

After describing how much it costs and how much the average undertaker gets, figures showing the enormous profit in the business, Dr. Cady suggested the supervision of the undertaking business under municipal control.

### NEW PENSION SCHEME.

Woman Would Have Government Help Widows Who Have Young Children.

Widows with children of school age or under should be pensioned by the government, and when the children are of age they should be made to pay a certain amount toward the mother's maintenance, in the opinion of Mrs. Frederick L. Mahn, secretary of the Fathers and Mothers' club of Boston. She says:

"When a child is between eight and fourteen years of age he needs the most careful attention. Character is in the formative stage. The mother is constantly needed then."

"The average woman who loses her husband will struggle earnestly to keep her family together. Physical and mental weakness induced by such effort too often results in lamentable failure, and the mother becomes a derelict."

"The government can supply a remedy for such conditions."

### Size of Red Sea.

The Red sea would extend from Washington to Colorado, and it is three times as wide as Lake Ontario.

## DR. SARGENT CLASSIFIES WOMEN AS NEAR SAVAGES.

Calls Them More Primitive but More Enduring Than Men.

That woman is a lower order of being than man and that she has not developed as rapidly from the barbaric state as man is asserted by Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, head of the department of physical culture at Harvard, director of the Sargent Gymnasium For Women, in Cambridge, and well known as a writer upon subjects pertaining to women's development.

"Woman is nearer the savage state than man," says Dr. Sargent. "Her development is more primitive than man's, just as the Indian is more primitive than the white man."

"Woman being biologically more of a barbarian than man, she has a greater proportion of physical endurance. She can undergo many strains that a man cannot."

"Women accumulate energy, while men expend it. Women have been developing their muscles, while men have been developing their brains."

"Woman is nearer to nature. She is a lower type of organism. But when it comes to a case of withstanding cold or hunger or thirst or any physical privation of this sort a woman can outlast a man in nine cases out of ten."

"It is foolish to go on the principle, therefore, that women must be kept from all labor and all exercise and be taken care of as though they were pets. They should do everything possible, obviously, to preserve the closeness to nature of which I have been speaking. It is more necessary for the good of the race for women to look after their physical well being than it is for men."

### MAY GET MORGAN MILLIONS.

Japanese Niece Prospective Heiress as Result of Cousin's Death.

The recent death of George H. Morgan, cousin of J. Pierpont Morgan, makes it probable that a large share of the Morgan millions will be enjoyed by a Japanese woman.

The prospective heiress is the aristocratic oriental beauty, Mrs. Yuki-Kate Morgan, whom George Dalton Morgan married in 1904 at Yokohama on his trip around the world. George Dalton Morgan is the son of George H. Morgan, who married his cousin, J. Pierpont Morgan's sister.

Young Morgan is now in Japan. There were reports one time that the marriage did not meet the complete approval of the elder Mr. Morgan. But little Mrs. Yuki-Kate Morgan is

a daughter of one of the finest families in Japan, and when she arrived in this country with her husband she charmed everybody.

In Chicago, on the trip across the country, young Morgan had said that he did not know exactly the opinions of his relatives concerning his marriage, but that nothing could possibly alter his devotion to his pretty spouse.

### WIVES, TAKE NOTICE.

Husband May Slap You if You Search His Pockets, Rules Court.

Judge C. M. Lee of Providence, R. I., tried the separation suit brought by Elizabeth T. England against John E. England.

"The Englands have been married five years. Mrs. England testified they had three children and had been living happily until a short time ago."

One night, she said, Mr. England arrived home about 3 a. m. and curled up on the floor. She thought he was asleep and started to go through his pockets in search of a watch and ring which she said belonged to her. Mr. England woke up and gave her a slap in the face. She tried to go through his pockets again and testified he gave her a kick in the back.

Judge Lee told the lawyers the couple ought to become reconciled. They said they would do what they could.

"But you must tell your client," admonished Judge Lee in addressing the wife's lawyer, "that she must not go through her husband's pockets again. A man is justified in slapping his wife if she goes through his pockets."

### PASTOR A "FAN."

Accepts Call to Another Pulpit to See Better Ball Games.

Because he likes the baseball of the Detroit brand better than the quality of the sport in St. Louis the Rev. Dr. Homer B. Henderson, an ardent fan, announced his resignation from the pastorate of the Wagoner Place United Presbyterian church, St. Louis, to accept a call from the First United Presbyterian church of the Michigan city. Dr. Henderson will depart for Detroit June 1.

When a college student at Xenia, O., Dr. Henderson became a baseball enthusiast. He was graduated six years ago.

Dr. Henderson admitted that baseball prompted his selecting Detroit as his next field of labor.

### Three of Them.

Dearborn—Do you know the seven wonders of the world? Wabash—Well, I know three of them. Dearborn—Only three? Wabash—Yes. I've only got three sons, you know.—Exchange.

**More and More.**  
The gravedigger in "Hamlet" was a very witty man, wittier far than many of the epitaph makers who have adorned headstones with their jingles. A sample of the punning rhymes which are cut on tombs follows. It comes from the grave of William More, at Stepney, near London:  
Here lies one More, and no more than he.  
The More and no more—how can that be?  
Why, one More and no more may lie here alone.  
But here lies one More, and that's more than one.

**Curiosities of Etymology.**  
It is extraordinary how words for the same thing differ in even so small a country as England. Take "left handed," for example. In Gloucestershire such a person is described as "scrammy." In Staffordshire he becomes "craggy," the phrase for a left handed Yorkshireman is "gawkrigger" or "callick handed," and in the next county, Durham, he is "cuddy paw."—London Telegraph.

**The Reason.**  
"Why is that man always grunting so about his business?"  
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